## **Introduced by Assembly Member Nestande**

February 15, 2011

An act relating to public social services.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 479, as introduced, Nestande. In-Home Supportive Services program.

Existing law provides for the county-administered In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) program, under which qualified aged, blind, and disabled persons receive services enabling them to remain in their own homes.

This bill would provide that it is the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that would implement reforms in the IHSS program, as specified, secure choice of provider for all eligible IHSS recipients within the chosen model, and ensure coordination of programs for the aging to emphasize the most cost-effective care for each IHSS recipient.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:* 

- 1 SECTION 1. It is the intent of the Legislature to enact 2 legislation to do all of the following:
- 3 (a) Implement reforms in the In-Home Supportive Services
- 4 (IHSS) program patterned after the operational methodologies of
- 5 other states where the methodologies provide home care for those

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who would be at risk of requiring skilled nursing care but at a significantly lower cost.

- 3 (b) Secure choice of provider for all eligible IHSS recipients within the chosen model.
- 5 (c) Ensure coordination of programs for the aging to emphasize the most cost-effective care for each IHSS recipient.